

Issues/Programs Quarterly Report

January 1, 2006 – March 31, 2006

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CONSUMER

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Good on Gas

Do you have to give up fancy features when you're looking for a fuel-efficient car? Consumer Reports says not anymore. They reveal cars in the small SUV category and midsize vehicles that get great gas mileage.

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Sears Power Line

Ruby Watkins had a washing machine delivered and when the delivery truck pulled down a power line, she wanted Sears to pay. After our calls, they immediately sent the \$500 check to have the line repaired.

2:00 01/04/2006 5:30PM

Booster Seats

Consumer Reports tested booster seats for safety and comfort revealing the best choice.

2:00 01/05/2006 5:30PM

Beyond Fitness

We continued to hear from consumers who wanted refunds from the Wake Forest location of Beyond Fitness that never opened. We helped get several their refunds and found out the Attorney General's Office is looking into the situation.

2:00 01/05/2006 6PM

Capital Fitness Follow-up

The Attorney General's office says they are still in negotiations with the gym about whether they can change customer's contracts to include a \$25 monthly fee for upgrades.

2:00 01/06/2006 5:30PM

Johnston Restaurants

The best and worst scoring restaurants according to Johnston County inspectors.

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Home Energy Costs

Consumer Reports looks at ways to cut your energy costs nearly in HALF. They say you should look at better insulation and plug up any air holes.

2:00 01/10/2006 5:30PM

Mia Clothing

When a Wake County reservist shipped her clothes home via UPS from basic training, she expected them to arrive. When they didn't - she wanted compensation. UPS finally admitted fault for the mis-delivery and compensated her \$600 for the lost clothing.

2:00 01/11/2006 5:30PM

Big Picture

Consumer Reports tested projection televisions that provide up to 96 inches of viewing pleasure but at a cost. These units can cost between 13-hundred and 5,000.

2:00 01/12/2006 5:30PM

Seatbelt Danger

Monica highlights the danger of wearing a seatbelt with the seat in the reclined position. We aired a story sharing one person's experience and the lawsuit and settlement with Ford afterwards.

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Fix It or Nix It

Consumer Reports looks at whether or not it's best to fix or replace certain household items based on expense.

2:00 01/17/2006 5:30PM

House Painter

Jane Mercer hired Triangle Painting to paint her house, but after she paid \$700 of the contracted \$1400 he never showed. We called the company and he eventually returned her \$700.

2:00 01/18/2006 5:30PM

Fever Thermometer

Consumer Reports tests thermometers to see which ones work best.

2:00 01/19/2006 5:30PM

Window Repair

Barbara Bennett has a lifetime warranty with Allgood windows. However, in September when she needed to use the warranty, she couldn't get service. After our calls, the company came and replaced the window.

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Trunk Deaths

A glow in the dark trunk release -it's inexpensive, but Consumer Reports says it could save priceless lives. Cars made after 2002 have the piece already installed, but Consumer Reports looked at one you could install and found it's worth it.

2:00 01/24/2006 5:30PM

Laundry Detergents

Consumer Reports puts laundry detergents to the test to determine if you really need to pay for name brand or if generic will do.

2:00 01/25/2006 5:30PM

Flight Fiasco

A Wake County woman wasn't able to fly with her daughter and friends to the Bahamas because of her hospital issued birth certificate. She had confirmed this paperwork wasn't a problem before the day of the flight. She finally convinced US Air reps to let her fly 4 days later. However, because of the missed time, she wanted compensation for her and her daughter's ticket. After our calls to US Air, she received vouchers for almost \$900 dollars.

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Tire Ratings

Consumer Reports looks at the accuracy of the tread-wear rating on tires and found they aren't always on the money.

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Testing Paints

Consumer Reports puts paints to the test, but not just one test. They tested for coverage and resistance to mildew and stains.

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Internet Phone Savings

Internet phone, such as Vonage, can save you money but not without drawbacks. Consumer Reports says calls can get dropped, connection cut off during a storm and there are serious limitations when calling 911.

2:00 02/01/2006 5:30PM

Insurance GAF

Jon Klinger waited for 6 months to get a 2,000 life insurance policy of his father's issued from GAF, a company his father worked at for 37 years. After our call, the check was expedited and Jon can now close this chapter.

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Chips and Salsa

Consumer Reports weighs in on the best chips and salsa just in time for the big game!

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Social Security Delay

Mary Whittemore waited for almost a year for the Social Security Administration to get her brother's final social security check reissued in HER name after her brother's death. After our calls to the Social Security Administration, Whittemore received the check within a couple of weeks.

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Furniture Danger

Consumer Reports explores the danger of numerous items of furniture found everyday in the home - dressers, armoires, and TV stands.

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Pet Care Savings

Consumer Reports points out that having pets and taking care of them can be expensive. The way to save is shop around for a veterinarian, get estimates if there's a need for surgery and go generic with prescriptions when you can.

2:00 02/08/2006 5:30PM

Credit Report Mix Up

Teresa Abernathy was trying to buy a home when she realized more than \$270,000 worth of debt was showing up on her credit report that wasn't hers! The problem - someone else's information has been combined with hers so she couldn't even access a report with Experian online. We called Experian and they immediately fixed the problem and cleared her report.

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Gift Box Chocolates

Consumer Reports looks at boxed chocolates to find something that will suit every chocolate lover this Valentine's Day.

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Nail Salon Inspections

Five On Your Side's Monica Laliberte went with a Wake County inspector to inspect a local nail salon. The inspector gave the salon a "B" and pointed out things customers need to be aware of. Monica also talked to a customer who got an infection from her nail salon visit a couple of years ago.

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Hair Salon Inspections

Five On Your Side's Monica Laliberte went with a Wake County inspector to check out a local salon. They explored what it takes to get an "A" and what customers should be warned about.

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Restaurants by Request

Viewers wanted to hear sanitation reports for: Irregardless Cafe Neo China Outback Steakhouse in Garner and Sushi Blues in Raleigh.

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Hotel Ratings

Consumer Reports says you can't just depend on the 'stars' hotels are given to rate the service or accommodations you'll receive. That's because they're usually across the board. Consumer Reports says you must do your own research and view more consumer reviews and feedback sites.

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Salvage Car Problem

Philip Pringle bought a used car from Martin Auto Haus after the salesman assured him in writing that it did not have a salvaged title. Once he received the title, he discovered it was a "total loss". The company refunded the money for the car, but not for the tags and other fees. After our calls, Martin Auto Haus sent the remaining \$465.

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Red Dot TV

Joe Pryzwara bought a 50" TV from Circuit City a year and a half ago. When a red dot appeared in the middle of the screen, he attempted to use the warranty for replacement. He couldn't get a straight answer out of the service repair company, so he called Five On Your Side. We called Circuit City and they immediately authorized replacement.

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Nail Files

Monica explores scores and reports from nail salon inspections.

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Restaurants By Request

Viewers write in which restaurants they want to hear sanitation reports for and whichever restaurants get

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the most requests are the ones we air that week.

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Junk Faxes

5 On Your Side looks at junk faxes that just won't stop. Viewers emailed us about the problem and asked for answers. It turns out companies can be fined for not following certain guidelines AND you can continue to opt out by calling the number that's supposed to be at the bottom of each fax.

2:00 02/21/2006 5PM

Live Call In

5 on Your Side invited CPA's to answer viewer's questions for 2 hours.

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Lottery Scams

Numerous viewers have emailed us about lottery notices they're receiving suggesting they've won the lottery. All it requires is for you to send money first. One person almost fell victim, but saw the red flags before she sent the requested thousand dollars in hopes of getting almost \$100,000!

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Movies By Mail

With the popularity of movies by mail on the rise, Consumer Reports looks at several different providers to find which one gives you the biggest bang for your buck.

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Restaurants By Request

Viewers submit which restaurants they want to hear sanitation scores for and we air the most popular for the week.

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No Late Fee Cards

Some credit cards contend they don't charge late fees, but if you pay late more than a couple of times, your interest rate could sky rocket. Consumer Reports reveals the deal sounds better than it really is.

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Charter Ruts

Charter communications ran through Larry Matthews yard when installing his neighbor's cable. When they didn't come back to fix the damage, we called the company and they fixed it immediately.

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Top Car Picks

According to Consumer Reports the following earned top points in this year's ratings: Toyota Highlander HYBRID, Subaru Forester's, Honda Odyssey, Honda Civic and Infiniti M35.

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Cashier Check Scam

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Numerous viewers contacted us about the latest scheme circulating via classified ads. Callie Underwood was selling her dining room set online and when she got an offer for much more than she was asking...she knew something was up. The buyer wanted her to wire back the extra for shipping expenses. Underwood refused and that's the last she heard of him. Five On Your Side has highlighted this scam before and warn continue to warn consumers to be careful.

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Lost Lathe

Sandy Allen ordered a ~900 lathe for her husband in November 2005. When it hadn't arrived in February, she called Five On Your Side. We called Sears and they finally sorted out the problem. They delivered the product, took some off the price and offered \$140 in gift cards.

2:00 03/07/2006 5:30PM

LCD TVs

Consumer Reports looks at several different LCD TV's that cost less to see if they deliver the same quality as the expensive ones. Some rated fairly well, but if you want to go with a more familiar name, you're still going to have to pay the big bucks.

2:00 03/08/2006 5:30PM

Pedicure Infections

5 On Your Side's Monica Laliberte points out what consumers need to know during their next visit to the nail salon. She also talked to a young lady who was diagnosed with bacteria she contracted from a salon pedicure. The bacteria leaves her with sores, lesions and scars.

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Monica's Nail Files

Monica looks at inspection reports from more local salons for the month of February.

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Insurance Hold-up

Roy Teague lost a rental house in a fire last March. He filed a claim with his Auto-Insurance 2 months later. However, when Teague didn't have a check almost a year later, he called 5 On Your Side. Soon after our call, Teague received a check for \$51,000.

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Secure Door Locks

Consumer Reports looks at the best door locks to determine which ones deliver the safety they claim.

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Sunroom Problem

David Lucas hired Patio and Sunrooms USA of Goldsboro to build a more than \$50,000 sunroom. It wasn't completed for 23 weeks and still there were problems with the room leaking. After our calls to the company, they fixed the problems.

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Weaker Warranties

Consumer Reports says many manufacturers for appliances and cutting their typical 5-25 year warranties to only ONE YEAR! Others are continuing with the lengthy warranty, but raising the price of appliances. It's something you should consider when making the initial purchase.

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Propane Refund

A Wake County woman had her propane tank picked up by Ferrel Gas in November. She was due a refund within 4 weeks of the leftover gas. In February, when she still didn't have the money, we called the company. They overnighted her \$285 check!

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Flooring Problem

A Wake County woman was having hardwood floors put in by Floors Today back in December. In February, when the floor was still incomplete and the work was done poorly, she called 5 On your Side. We called the company and they offered to re-install the floor of her choice. They ALSO agreed to cover the entire expense themselves.

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Missing Money

We are working with the North Carolina Treasurer's office to make people aware of their unclaimed property office. When we called Bill Isley to let him know the state was holding over 3-thousand dollars of his money - he was thrilled.

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Higher Hybrid

Consumer Reports tested 6 hybrids to determine which delivers the best in gas savings.

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Durham Restaurants

The best and worst scoring restaurants according to Durham County inspections.

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New NC Daycare Rules

Its nap time at Grandma's House Family Child Care in Raleigh... but owner, Shirley Brown is having a hard time keeping quiet about North Carolina's new day care rating system.

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Transportation Director Plea

This month, a judge will decide whether to accept or deny a plea change from the former Wake County Schools Transportation director. Vernon Hatley wants to change his plea from guilty to innocent. Hatley is one of six people charged in connection with a scheme involving the Transportation Department and Barnes Motor and Parts. Prosecutors say employees on both sides concocted a fake bus parts scheme, siphoning millions from the schools and getting huge kickbacks in return.

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NOON

Salem Middle School Sick Kids

145 students called in sick today at a Wake County school hit hard by the flu bug. It's the second straight day Salem Middle School in Apex has had a lot of kids staying at home. And as WRAL's Megan Hughes reports, school officials say that's where sick kids OUGHT to be these days!

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School Security

Three schools.. 1 man. Knightdale Police say the guy seen in this school surveillance picture stole blank checks and money out of teachers purses at Knightdale, Lockhart and Forestville Road Elementary Schools on Monday In two cases, he walked right through the front door, signed in and got a visitors pass.

2:30 01/13/2006 6PM

Sanderson HS

Parents with children attending one Wake County High School need to be on the lookout for symptoms of tuberculosis! A Sanderson High School student tested positive for the illness and was probably infectious for MONTHS! That student is expected to make a full recovery. Sanderson has about 19-hundred students, but only about 150 were likely exposed to TB. People considered at-risk will receive a letter next week asking them to get a skin test.

2:00 01/15/2006 6PM

Johnston County Reassignment

Re-assigning children to new schools to handle growth problems is ALWAYS a heated and emotional topic. Here in Wake County, we've heard the angry debates for years! But as Mike Charbonneau reports, now-- some parents in JOHNSTON COUNTY are furious over proposed changes!

2:30 01/17/2006 6PM

Year Round High Schools

Wake County parents: you probably won't see year-round high schools any time soon. School board members and administrators all but dismissed that idea at today's meeting. WRAL's Paul LaGrone is live in Raleigh with the reason why.

2:00 01/18/2006 6PM

Higher Taxes For Schools

With that in mind, the question is would you be willing to pay higher taxes to build new schools? One group doesn't want to wait until election day to get an answer. Paul LaGrone is live at Athens Drive High School with details.

2:30 01/18/2006 NOON

Wake Reassignment

Meantime the school board made a major compromise that will give you and your children more options. Board members voted unanimously to give 10th graders who are slated to be reassigned to an existing school the CHOICE to stay at their old school. There is one catch--10th graders reassigned to a NEW school will still be shuffled.

2:30 01/18/2006 NOON

Lee County Confederate Flag

Lee County school administrators want to know who left a confederate flag at Southern Lee High School. Confederate symbols are NOT allowed on school grounds. As WRAL's Amanda Lamb reports, the issue is not being taken lightly.

2:30 01/20/2006 11PM

Lottery Money For Charter Schools

The state's charter schools want a piece of the proceeds from the lottery. Charter Schools believe lawmakers overlooked including them in the formula for sharing some of the lottery's 400-million dollars in profits. But a state lawmaker says the intention is to direct the lion's share of the money to the county public school systems.

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| Apex Reassignment | | |
| Two-hundred concerned parents. One mission. The meeting rallied support for the group "assignment by choice" and encouraged parents to get actively involved in the assignment process. | | |
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| 2:30 | 01/28/2006 | NOON |
| McNeal Retirement | | |
| A campaign honoring retiring Wake County schools superintendent Bill McNeal starts today. The Superintendent Leadership Scholarship starts at Exploris Museum this evening. Eighteen graduating seniors will be given scholarships in McNeal's honor. He'll retire in June. | | |
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| 2:30 | 02/21/2006 | NOON |
| Busing | | |
| The Wake County School System takes a lot of heat for its busing policy. Some argue: it helps schools, but hurts neighborhoods. The Wake County school system says it has proof the policy helps students. WRAL'S Kelcey Carlson has the story. | | |
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| NCSU Self Defense Class | | |
| Teachers learned how to defend themselves and restrain unruly students. This self defense training class was part of a School Safety and Gang Awareness workshop at NC State. | | |
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| High School Coach Fight | | |
| It started as heated high school basketball game. It ended with what Franklinton police call a 'near riot.' Now, two area coaches are accused of crossing the line of conduct...and sparking the crowd. WRAL's Cullen Browder has details. | | |
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| 2:30 | 03/08/2006 | ALL AM |
| Wake County Schools Budget | | |
| The growth of Wake County schools boils down to a simple economics lesson: More students expected mean more schools need to be built. And that means more money. County commissioners and school board members are already mulling over a bond package that could exceed one billion dollars. | | |
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| 2:30 | 03/09/2006 | 6PM |
| Year Round Schools Meeting | | |
| As Yogi Berra famously said, "It ain't over till it's over." That's ringing true for hundreds of Wake County parents whose kids are being shuffled yet again to new schools. And in many cases are now staying put. WRAL's Paul LaGrone has the latest changes to the reassignment plan. | | |
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| Low Performing Schools Protests | | |
| This protest over low performing schools in Durham may look small... But the panic is being echoed in school systems across the state. | | |
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| Halifax County High Schools | | |
| Both of Halifax County's high schools are on a judge's list to shut down if students don't start improving their performance. | | |
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| Wake County Construction Bonds | | |
| Wake County is feeling the pinch of record growth, in neighborhoods... and schools. Dealing with it is a | | |

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multi BILLION dollar proposition. One the public doesn't yet have the stomach for, according to a new poll. When asked about 3 school construction bonds ranging from 1.4 Billion to nearly 2-Billion dollars, an average of only 40 percent supported the bonds.

2:30 03/16/2006 11PM

Early College--Wake Tech

Normally these labs and classrooms are filled with health sciences students from Wake Technical Community College. But this fall, high school students will share the space. It's a 5 year program that could lead to an associate degree or free transferable college credit.

2:30 03/17/2006 11PM

Local Students Die In Boat Ax

In the chilly, choppy waters off the coast Oak Island... tragic proof of a fishing trip gone horribly wrong. Investigators say a group of six ventured out on an 18 foot boat that capsized some time Wednesday and that at some point the men decided to swim ashore but only two survived the 58 degree water long enough to reach land.... when they did they called 911.

2:30 03/18/2006 11PM

Edgecombe County Schools

From repairs to renovations to new construction, Edgecombe County voters APPROVED a bond package to meet THEIR school needs. They don't have nearly the growing pains that Wake does. But as Mike Charbonneau reports school leaders plan to make a difference with only about 13 million dollars. Gerald Owens has the story.

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DWI Checkpoint

High school students in driver's education classes were invited to a DWI checkpoint tonight. The sheriff's office hopes seeing scenes like this will make students think twice b/f drinking and driving.

2:00 03/27/2006 6PM

Duke Lacrosse

Durham district attorney Mike Nifong has put the Duke University Lacrosse gang rape case on the fast track. He calls it a statement case.

HEALTH

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Acetaminophen

Products with acetaminophen can cause overdose and it's often not an obvious ingredient.

2:00 01/04/2006 5PM

Top 10--Health Advice

Top 10 things people can do in the New Year to improve health.

2:00 01/05/2006 5PM

Pediatric Drill

UNC Hospitals has a new program that trains doctors to better handle pediatric emergencies.

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Epigenetics

New research into what causes diseases. Genetic versus non-genetic reasons!

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Dry Eye

Relief for dry eye caused by contacts.

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Cough Syrups

OTC cough syrups don't work as well as they are advertised.

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YMC

WakeMed and YMCA are teaming up to provide health screenings and clinics.

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Rx

Internet and wire technology are now used to help doctors write prescriptions.

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Eat More

New diet plan that allows people to eat more foods along with exercise.

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RSV

Increase in the number of RSV illnesses in the Triangle.

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Saline

New saline solution helps people suffering from cystic fibrosis.

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Aspirin

Aspirin helps prevent strokes in women and heart attacks in men.

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Bird Flu

Update on the bird flu and what's being done to keep it out of us and NC.

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Rx FDA

RDA is making changes in prescriptions to make them clearer and more accurate.

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Diabetes Gene

New details on a genetic test that can detect a gene that predisposes people to develop Type II diabetes.

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Diabetes Gene

Scientists discover a gene that may change the way type 2 is diagnosed and treated.

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Carbon Monoxide

New study that shows Carbon Monoxide poisoning affects the body in ways no one fully realized, until now.

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Heart Attacks

Quicker treatment is saving people who have heart attacks.

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Flu

It's not too late to get a flu shot! The season hasn't peaked yet!

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The Brain!

A new exhibit at the Museum of Natural Science in Durham showcases the BRAIN! Also, a look at how it works!

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Pseudoephedrine

A new state law restricts sales of medicines containing the decongestant pseudoephedrine. Health Team Doctor Allan Mask discusses the changes in the law and looks at the options that are still available over the counter.

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Pregnancy And Depression

For years, doctors thought pregnancy would cure depression in women. A new study published today says that's not the case. Health Team Dr. Allen Mask looks at the study, which says women who stopped taking anti-depressants during pregnancy were 5 times more likely to see symptoms return - than those women who continued the medications during pregnancy.

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Endo-sure Pressure Sensors

Dr. Allen Mask looks at a new technology that allows doctors to implant a tiny pressure sensor into the abdomen of patients who have had surgery to repair an Abdominal Aortic aneurysm to monitor their progress.

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Glaucoma Warning Signs

Blurred vision and loss of peripheral vision are early warning signs of glaucoma. Dr Allen Mask outlines who's at the highest risk and needs early screening for the condition, and looks at way to tell if you have the beginnings of a problem.

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Kids and Exercise

Video games are making kids into couch potatoes. But the YWCA has found a way to use the games to get kids up and moving--creating a virtual gym to get kids on the go.

2:00 02/06/2006 5PM

Migraines

It's a debilitating condition that strikes women more often than men. Dr. Allen Mask looks at why more women get migraines, and a variety of treatment options.

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JAMA Low Fat Study

A new study shows low fat diet has benefits, but not the cancer-reducing ones people thought. Health Team runs down the benefits of eating lean and what it does and doesn't do for you.

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Prostate Cancer In Eastern NC

Prostate Cancer is a global problem, but African American men in eastern NC have a higher incidence and death rate than anywhere else in the world. One cancer survivor is trying to spread the message to get screened, and sharing his message of survival to help others catch it before it's too late.

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Dry Skin

How to keep your skin from drying and breaking in the winter, and how to tell the difference between garden variety dry skin and skin that needs medical attention.

2:00 02/10/2006 5PM

Alzheimer's Study

Two studies that could help doctors predict who will come down with Alzheimer's. The first looks at genetics. The second says people diagnosed with depression are more likely to develop the plaque buildup that leads to Alzheimer's.

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Weight Loss

Scientists have isolated a hormone developed in the stomach that makes you feel full. This could be the base compound for future diet drugs, pills, sprays, etc.

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Imaging Technology

New imaging technology being used at Duke University Medical Center helps doctors track heart problems in young patients without multiple tests or invasive means.

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Avastin Patient

Dr. Allen Mask profiles a patient taking part in a clinical trial of the drug Avastin here at Duke. The drug treats advanced stage colo-rectal cancer and is proving to suspend the cancer's growth.

2:15 02/16/2006 5PM

Calcium Supplements

A new study out today suggests Calcium supplements and Vitamin D don't do as much for brittle and broken bones in older women as initially thought. Dr. Allen Mask explains why and what options are still available.

2:00 02/17/2006 5PM

Pregnancy Myths

Health team Dr. Allen Mask talks to an OB/GYN about some of the things women hear when they're pregnant (i.e. hair dye is bad, don't use electric blankets...) and separates the myths from the real worries.

2:00 02/20/2006 5PM

Diet Pill with Benefits

Researchers looking at a new diet pill found out it can control more than hunger. RIMONABANT is in clinical trials, and so far it has been shown to curb gambling addictions and other cravings.

2:00 02/21/2006 5PM

Ski Helmets

Every Olympian wears a helmet on the slopes, but only a third of skiers and snowboarders in the US do. A new study shows that helmets can protect you from accidents and keep your head in tact in case of a wipeout.

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2:00 02/22/2006 5PM

Supplement Study

A new study released this afternoon says the supplements glucosamine and chondroitin have minimal effect (if any) on joint pain. Dr. Allen Mask talks about osteoarthritis and what the supplements could do to help the knee pain.

2:00 02/23/2006 5PM

Gums and Heart

There's a link between periodontal disease and heart health. Researchers have found that a bacterium that makes its way in through your gums can cause inflammation in your arteries.

2:00 02/24/2006 5PM

Duke PSA Test

PSA levels in the blood can indicate a man's risk levels for prostate cancer. A New study at Duke University suggests that the number means different risk levels based on your age. Dr. Allen Mask sorts through the study and looks at why it means some men should be tested sooner rather than later.

2:00 02/27/2006 5PM

Bariatric Surgery

Medicare decided to cover three forms of bariatric surgery for the obese if they fit certain criteria. Health Team Dr Allen Mask goes over those criteria and looks at how that could change the way private insurance companies treat the surgeries.

2:00 02/28/2006 5PM

Military Mental Health

A new study questions whether troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan are getting the mental health treatment they need to avoid such problems as alcoholism, depression, or post-traumatic stress disorder. Dr Allen Mask looks at what else can be done.

2:00 03/01/2006 5:30PM

What Diet Works For You?

Dr Allen Mask breaks down the results of the Five on Five diet challenge, looking at each of the diets featured (vegetarian, Zone, Atkins, South Beach, Food Pyramid) and talks about which ones can be adapted to a healthy lifestyle.

2:00 03/02/2006 5PM

Jarvik Pump

There's a new heart pump out there that's in clinical trials. Only a handful of people worldwide are trying this new innovation. Dr Allen Mask looks at the Jarvik heart pump and talks to a Chapel Hill man who says it changed his life.

2:00 03/03/2006 5PM

Person Co OBGYN

Person County didn't have an OBGYN for months! Now, a new one is on the job and taking patients so women can deliver their children without driving dozens of miles away. Dr Allen Mask talks to the doctor about the state of rural healthcare in North Carolina.

2:00 03/06/2006 5PM

Premature Babies

More babies are born premature than ever before - today, Dr. Allen Mask looks at a hormone that can stop women from delivering early.

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Coffee and You

There are plenty of studies out there that offer conflicting information about whether caffeine is good for you or bad for you. Dr. Allen Mask looks at yet another study that says it all depends on a gene you may or may not carry.

2:00

03/08/2006

5PM

Reeve and Lung Cancer

Dana Reeve's death from lung cancer has stunned just about everyone, she wasn't a smoker - and it her death came so suddenly. Dr Allen Mask joins us to answer some of the questions that are popping up about lung cancer.

2:00

03/09/2006

5PM

Radial Stent Surgery

Some heart problems can be fixed without traditional open heart surgery. They can be repaired with long wire catheters through a main artery to the heart. Dr. Allen Mask walks us through the procedure and the way doctors are changing their approach to it.

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03/10/2006

5PM

Wound Healing

Diabetes can cause circulatory problems in the lower extremities that can make even a simple cut an infected threat. Dr Allen Mask looks at how a Johnston County doctor uses a hyperbaric chamber to improve circulation and patients' chances of saving a limb.

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03/13/2006

5PM

Latex Allergy

Dr. Allen Mask alerts viewers to the symptoms of latex allergies, as well as the unlikely places you and your children could encounter triggers for that allergy.

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03/14/2006

5PM

Treating Croup

Parents for decades have treated their children's croup with humidifiers or steam-filled bathrooms. Dr Allen Mask breaks down a new study that says humidity may not help at all.

2:00

03/15/2006

5PM

Pregnant Doctor

Expectant Moms always have questions for the doctor...but what happens when the doctor is the one who's pregnant? Dr Allen Mask talks with a doctor who's also a mom-to-be about the medical advice she gives herself.

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03/17/2006

5PM

Dental Access

Health care isn't the only thing missing in North Carolina's rural counties. Many people are more than an hour away from dental care. Dr Allen Mask profiles a dental clinic that brings in clients for miles, many of whom have minimal insurance, if any.

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03/20/2006

5PM

WakeMed Kids Truck

WakeMed wants to use the proceeds from a fundraiser to buy a new pediatric transport unit. Dr Allen Mask shows off the features of the county's current unit, and explains why one size doesn't fit all when it comes to transporting children.

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Vitamin Studies

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There are so many studies out there on vitamins that sometimes people can't tell which way to turn. Are the little pills doing more harm than good? Dr Allen Mask sorts through whether one a day is a good policy.

2:00 03/22/2006 5PM

Plavix and Aspirin

New research shows that some people who take Plavix and aspirin to prevent heart disease could have a higher risk of death. It's brought in many questions to our newsroom and to doctor's offices. Dr Allen Mask is here to cut through the information on who can still safely take the drug combo and who should stop.

2:00 03/23/2006 5PM

Healthy Moms

Pregnancy is no time to slack off on your exercise. In fact before, during and after pregnancy, exercise is always important. Dr Allen Mask shows us exercises that are good for women of all stages, and even tried to keep up with the moms and moms to be.

2:00 03/23/2006 5:30PM

Depression Study

One of the largest studies of patients suffering from depression show at least half have to try more than one medication before finding relief, and one third NEVER do. Dr Allen Mask joins the anchors to talk about the different kinds of drugs and how to find help with the drug you need.

2:00 03/24/2006 5PM

Spinal Injury

Injuries to the spinal cord can often lead to paralysis. Dr Allen Mask shows us a new device that can prevent these injuries from becoming that serious by cooling down the spine and reducing swelling.

2:00 03/27/2006 5PM

Mall Walkers

Every town has its mall walkers, but in Smithfield, they walk in a medical mall. The building is a refurbished textile mill, and instead of stores, it's filled with medical offices where people can get their blood pressure taken and other health screenings.

2:00 03/29/2006 5PM

Eye Lid Lift

Many people turn to plastic surgery for cosmetic reasons, but for some people, it can be a medical necessity. Dr Allen Mask introduces us to a doctor who performs plastic surgery on cancer patients to remove excess skin that obscures vision.

2:00 03/29/2006 5PM

Home Dialysis

Many patients with kidney disease have to go to a clinic several days a week for hours at a time for dialysis. WRAL's Dr. Allen Mask tells us about a new technology that allows patients to bring the clinic into their homes.

2:00 03/30/2006 5PM

Spring Allergies

Spring flowers are blooming a little early this year - that means more pollen a little sooner than usual. Dr Allen Mask looks at ways to head off your allergies before they stop you in your tracks.

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2:00 01/03/2006 5:30PM

Senator Burr Talks About Political Issues

The Iraqi war is also on the mind of North Carolina's junior Senator Richard Burr. Burr is just finishing his first year in the senate and earlier today we talked about the war, domestic spying, bio-terrorism, the US Supreme Court and Elizabeth Dole.

2:00 01/04/2006 6PM

Gas Tax Protest

Enough is enough! North Carolina taxpayers are tired of paying high prices at the pumps. Now a conservative group hopes to capitalize on that frustration. The anti-gas tax group is speaking out in advance of an energy legislative committee that meets tomorrow. WRAL's Cullen Browder is live in our newsroom with a preview of the effort to repeal the recent gas tax hike!

2:00 01/05/2006 6PM

Lawmakers To Consider Gas Tax

Today, lawmakers met to discuss the gas tax hike. It went up Sunday by almost three cents a gallon. You probably noticed gas prices increased even more. We're covering both stories tonight beginning with Cullen Browder on the legislative look at the tax.

2:00 01/05/2006 6PM

Truth In Gas Tax Figures

Prices up and down. A month ago, we enjoyed lows averaging 2.06 a gallon. Today, it's back up to 2.26 a gallon. As Mark Roberts found out today, even if lawmakers pass the tax relief, it probably won't have much impact for you.

2:00 01/06/2006 6PM

State Lawmakers Take A Critical Look At Ethical Questions

Ethical questions that dogged the passage of the state lottery focused a spotlight on influence and conflict of interest. Today, a special legislative committee held its first meeting to search for ways to strengthen state ethics laws. WRAL's Cullen Browder joins us with details.

2:00 01/07/2006 11PM

Durham Seizes Property For New Courthouse

For the first time in two decades, Durham county commissioners are poised to condemn some prime downtown property where a new courthouse will be built. The Project will replace an established Durham Funeral Home. Tonight's vote was split along racial line.

2:00 01/09/2006 6PM

Governor Mike's Easley Writes Newspaper Column About North Carolina

Soon, you might see Governor Mike Easley's name in three of the most read newspapers in the country. He's offered this strongly worded OP/ED piece to the New York Times, The LA Times and the Washington Post. Is he tired of the way things are done in Washington? Or is he looking to play on the national stage?

2:00 01/11/2006 6PM

State Tries To Work Out Kinks In Lobbying Laws

Lobby Laws 0111 6pm How much trust do you place in the politics and influence that surround our system of government? State lawmakers passed new lobbying reforms to build that trust. WRAL's Cullen Browder reports on efforts to work out the law's kinks, educate lobbyists, and help them comply.

2:00 01/12/2006 5:30PM

Small Town Downsizes Police Dept, Ousts Chief

A small Nash County town is singing the budget blues. The police chief is out of a job and other officers

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are also getting a pink slip. WRAL's Mike Charbonneau is live in Sharpsburg with reaction.

2:00 01/13/2006 5:30PM

Halifax Community College President Fired Following Investigation

After months of speculation and stalling, TODAY Ted Gasper was fired from his job as president of Halifax Community College. He's been on paid leave for 4 months, on a 130-thousand dollar salary, while investigators looked into accusations of mishandled money. Fred Taylor wraps up today's developments.

2:00 01/15/2006 11PM

Church Uses Harry Potter Books To Spread The Gospel

What do Harry Potter books and the Bible have in common? According to one Raleigh church-- plenty! While some congregations denounce the series as "dark" and "evil", Renee Chou shows us one church using it to shed new light on Scripture.

2:00 01/15/2006 11PM

Belafonte Criticizes President Bush For The War Effort

One week after calling President Bush a tyrant and a terrorist, celebrity Harry Belafonte holds a key to the city of Durham. WRAL's Paul LaGrone is live at Duke Chapel tonight where Belafonte talks about his criticism of the President.

2:00 01/16/2006 6PM

Salisbury Cemetery No Longer Racially Divided

For years, leaders have been working on a major project downtown. Two cemeteries remained racially divided. As Scott Mason reports, they picked Martin Luther King Day to dedicate a cemetery where races are no longer separated.

2:00 01/18/2006 5:30PM

Charter Schools Demand A Cut From Lottery Proceeds

The first Lottery games are still 3 months away and already there's a squabble over the proceeds. As WRAL first reported last year, charter schools say the education lottery gets an "F" when it comes to funding them. WRAL's Fred Taylor reports, charter advocates want to make sure the process is fair.

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30:00 01/01/2006 6:30AM

NC Spin

One of the great traditions of NC SPIN is that the first show of every year we ask our panelists to look in their crystal balls and give us their predictions for the coming year. We hear those predictions in this program.

30:00 01/01/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interview with New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin about: this year's Mardi Gras celebration/current conditions and population of the city/the possibility that the population of the city will return to its pre-Katrina numbers/problems created by water in the streets/finding enough workers to go back to their regular schedules/the need for temporary housing/the need for aid from the federal government/the necessity of a non-partisan, independent investigation of the handling of Hurricane Katrina/Nagin's priorities for 2006.

60:00 01/01/2006 7PM

60 MINUTES

"The New Space Race"- followup to "The New Space Race" (OAD: 11/07/04), an interview with Burt Rutan, an aeronautical engineer about his efforts to develop a commercial travel business in space by providing flights that are cheap enough and safe enough for ordinary people. In 2004 Rutan won the \$10

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million Ansari X prize. Subsequently, Richard Branson, the English billionaire, signed a \$120 million deal with Ratan to build five spaceships for Virgin Galactic, the world's first spaceline.

"Fighting AIDS"- 60 MINUTES followed former President Bill Clinton as he traveled to Yunnan Province in China where health officials have documented the largest number of AIDS cases. Clinton talked about the work of his charitable foundation and his own efforts to convince China it has an AIDS problem; the dramatic spread of AIDS during his presidency; his work with the Bush administration; and his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton's political aspirations.

"Immortality" - an interview with Dr. Aubrey de Grey, a scientist at Cambridge University who believes that science will soon enable us to grow old without aging. Includes interviews with Dr. Jay Olshansky, who feels that Dr. de Grey's predictions are more science fiction than science; and Dr. Christian Sell, a research scientist at Drexel University in Philadelphia, who is working to produce a so-called ageless mouse.

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10PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Blood Feud" - Nancy Seaman, an award-winning teacher living in Farmington Hills, Michigan, an exclusive Detroit suburb, was accused of the 2004 hatchet/stabbing murder of her husband, Bob. She admits killing him, but says it was self-defense, claiming that he had been mentally and physically abusing her for years. The couple's two sons -- Greg and Jeff -- differ concerning their parent's marriage and the life they all shared. Greg sympathizes with his mother, claiming that his father was abusive and that his mother's life was in danger. Jeff, who testified for the prosecution, denies that his mother was a battered wife. Nancy Seaman was tried and found guilty of murder in the first degree and was sentenced to life in prison. This past August, the judge in the case ordered Nancy Seaman's conviction reduced from first to second-degree murder. If the ruling is upheld Nancy's life sentence could be reduced to as little as seven and a half years. Includes interviews with: Nancy Seaman; her sons Greg and Jeff; defense attorney Larry Kaluzny; Lisa Ortlieb, prosecutor in the case and director of Oakland County's Domestic Violence Unit; and Dr. Lenore Walker, an expert on abused women.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "The Girl Next Door"- reports on two instances in which forensic sculptors were called upon to help identify murder victims:

1) On the night of May 1, 2003, a teenage girl's body was found in a trash bag left behind a restaurant in Castro Valley, California. The gruesome discovery became detective Scott Dudek's obsession and touched the entire community, which came to call the young girl "Castro Valley's Jane Doe." The community rallied to raise money to bury her. Then, two years after "Jane" was found, as a last-ditch effort to identify the girl, Detective Dudek of the Alameda County Sheriff's office made the decision to exhume the body to search for clues that might have been missed. Forensic artist Gloria Nusse created a forensic reconstruction of Jane's face based on nothing but the skull in the hope that someone might recognize her. Detectives have tracked down over 800 leads to identify "Jane", and more than 350 missing girls have been ruled out.

2) An interview with forensic sculptor Frank Bender of Philadelphia whose facial reconstruction helped solve another murder. Gregory May disappeared in January 2001 from Bellevue, Iowa -- his children suspected foul play. When May's antique collection turned up for auction, police found the seller to be May's former friend and house-mate Doug DeBruin. Subsequently police found a skull at a truck stop hundreds of miles from Iowa. Bender was brought the skull to reconstruct the face -- and authorities later identified it as May. Other portions of May's body were located providing sufficient evidence to bring DeBruin to trial for murder. Includes an interview with Ellen Leach of the Doe Network, a group of amateur detectives dedicated to helping law enforcement solve cold cases by scouring the Internet searching for missing persons and unidentified persons and matching them up.

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This week we ask our panel to give you their spin on a request to stop the lottery, about Frank Balance going to prison, and nonprofit disclosures from legislators, but first we examine the big topic of the week, the gas tax increase.

30:00 01/08/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interviews with Senators Arlen Specter and Patrick Leahy about: majority leader Tom DeLay's announcement that he will not try to retain his post/the current status of the Republican Party; the upcoming hearings on Samuel Alito's nomination to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court/open hearings on the legality of eavesdropping on U.S. citizens/ questions that Samuel Alito will have to answer on the issues of abortion and presidential authority.

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60 MINUTES

"Mafia Cops?"- ex-New York detectives Stephen Caracappa and Louis Eppolito, are charged with the murders of 10 people, murders committed on the orders of a Mafia boss. In an interview, Caracappa calls the charges ludicrous. Includes a portion of an interview ("The Most Feared Gangster" OAD: 09/20/98) with mob boss Anthony "Gaspipe" Casso; and an interview with Ed Hayes, Caracappa's attorney. Louis Eppolito (not interviewed) also contends that he is innocent of all charges.

"Sir Howard" - an interview with Sir Howard Stringer, the Welsh-born CEO of Sony who, six months ago, took on the job of turning the company around. Includes an interview with Professor Hirotaka Takeuchi, dean of one of Japan's most prestigious business schools.

"Bode" - Bode Miller, the 28-year-old U.S. skier who won the World Cup title last March and is expected to win gold at the 2006 Winter Olympics, talks about his unorthodox style; his childhood; his opinion that athletes should only be tested for drugs which are dangerous to their health; and the fact that he has skied while drunk. Includes an interview with Bode's mother, Jo Miller.

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NC Spin

This week our panel will discuss the spending gap between rich and poor counties, the impact of having to show retiree health liability costs on the state balance sheet, and a new port at Southport, but first we examine a proposal for sliding scale tuition rates on UNC campuses.

30:00 01/15/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interview with Sen. John McCain about: a report that a U.S. drone has apparently bombed a village in Pakistan killing 18 people/suspicion that a prominent a-Qaida leader was at the location; Iran's intent to move ahead with its nuclear program/possible U.S. military action against Iran/the possibility of imposing sanctions/Iran perceived as a greater threat to U.S. security than Iraq; the anti-torture law; the need for lobby reform; global warming.

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60 MINUTES

"John Murtha"- an interview with 73-year-old Rep. John Murtha (D-PA), a decorated war hero from Vietnam and Korea who claims that mounting pressure from constituents in this election year will force Congress to pass legislation withdrawing all U.S. troops from Iraq by the end of the year. Murtha insists that U.S. troops are caught in the middle of an Iraqi civil war and not, as President Bush claims, a fight against terrorists.

"The Hermit Kingdom" - a rare look inside the reclusive communist dictatorship of North Korea. Includes interviews with: Gen. Ri Chan Bok, who says he will use nuclear weapons in the event of a U.S. invasion of his country; chief North Korean negotiator, Kim Gae Gwan; as well as a visit to the U.S.S. Pueblo, now a tourist attraction, whose capture in 1968 was one of the most visible and serious incidents of the Cold War.

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"Felicity"- an interview with 43-year-old actress Felicity Huffman who has a hit TV show, "Desperate Housewives," and new movie, "Transamerica" which is generating talk of an Oscar nomination. Includes an interview with actor Bill Macy, the actress' husband and former teacher.

2:00 01/19/2006 6PM

State Fair Wants New Midway Company to Be Scandal Free

This year's state fair finally has someone to provide the rides. Today, the Ag Department announced a deal with Powers Great American Midways based out of Burgaw. The selection of a midway company in the past suffered a public corruption scandal that sent former Agriculture Commissioner Meg Scott Phipps and some of her associates to prison. Cullen Browder is in the newsroom with more on the deal.

2:00 01/19/2006 6PM

Federal Grand Jury To Look At House Speaker's Campaign Records

New developments in the search for truth about legislative influence, the lottery, and more. A federal grand jury wants information from Speaker Jim Black, one of the most powerful lawmakers in the state, and his former associate Meredith Norris. Black's office turned over THOUSANDS of documents to the grand jury and to WRAL. Cullen Browder is here with what is in that paperwork.

60:00 01/21/2006 10PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "The Phone Call"- when Shannon Melendi, a 19-year-old sophomore at Emory University in Atlanta disappeared in March 1994, authorities believed she had either run away or had taken part in a college prank. Melendi's roommate, Athena Perez, became worried when her friend didn't return to the dorm room the evening of March 26. The next day, Perez and her friends found Melendi's abandoned car with the keys in it and called police. Following an extensive police search of the area that turned up no signs of the missing girl, the Melendi family and friends began their own aggressive search, offering a \$10,000 reward for information and tapping into celebrities Andy Garcia and Bo Jackson who appeared on national television programs in an effort to help find Shannon. Nearly two weeks after Melendi vanished, an anonymous male phoned the Emory University counseling center claiming he had Shannon. The FBI traced the call to a pay phone where police found evidence that was intentionally left behind by the caller, a package containing a ring that belonged to Melendi. Only then did authorities treat the case as a kidnapping. Investigators managed to trace pieces of the package to Colvin "Butch" Hinton III, an umpire at the softball field where Melendi worked the day she went missing. Authorities searched Hinton's home and property but found no human remains and nothing that could be linked to Shannon. They did uncover the fact that Hinton had a violent criminal past covering decades. In late 2003, a new prosecutor took up the case, and more than ten years after Shannon Melendi disappeared, police and FBI agents arrested "Butch" Hinton and charged him with her murder. Hinton was tried, found guilty of kidnapping and murder, and sentenced to life in prison. Yvonne and Luis Melendi, Shannon's parents, have set their sights on a new mission, seeking longer prison sentences for sexual predators, especially repeat offenders like Hinton.

30:00 01/22/2006 6:30AM

NC Spin

On this show we will talk about the fact that only 18 out of 100 eighth graders will graduate from college, we'll discuss a controversy raging over new voting machines, and tell you why some lobbyists aren't happy with the state's new laws, but first we discuss Congresswoman Sue Myrick's blast to the legislature.

30:00 01/22/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interviews with Senators Pat Roberts and Joseph Lieberman about: Osama bin Laden's threat of new attacks inside the United States/U.S. preparedness in the event of a terrorist attack/vulnerable areas/Osama bin Laden's access to a nuclear weapon in Russia/the possibility that bin Laden will be apprehended/danger posed by a possible al-Qaeda takeover of either Pakistan or Saudi Arabia; Iran's

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intent to build a nuclear arsenal/the possible imposition of sanctions/a military contingency; the question of whether President Bush has the authority to eavesdrop on Americans without a warrant.

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"The Oil Sands"- a report on the oil boom in Alberta, Canada, where the oil sands produce a million barrels a day and hold reserves eight times those of Saudi Arabia. The oil companies, which pay some of the highest salaries in North America, are faced with problems including the shortage of labor and charges by environmentalists that they are destroying both the atmosphere and the land.

"Kinky For Governor"- an interview with irreverent Jewish country singer Kinky Friedman, who, despite his lack of experience is campaigning as an independent to be the next governor of Texas. Includes an interview with Friedman's campaign manager Dean Barkley.

"Fatality"- an interview with Jonathan Wendel, a 24-year-old professional video game player who uses the pseudonym 'Fatal1ty' -pronounced as "fatality" and spelled "Fatal1ty" (sic). Wendel, who lives in Kansas City, Missouri, has won 41 tournaments and has traveled, all expenses paid, to every continent except Antarctica. Includes interviews with: Professor Edward Castranova, who teaches the economics and sociology of video games at Indiana University; marketing guru Mark Walden; and Sundance DiGiovanni who, with Mark Sepso, runs Major League Gaming.

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6PM

Henderson Resident Draws KKK Fire Over Telephone Hotline

It's 2006 and it's the last listing you would expect to find in a local phone book -- the KKK. In Vance County, open the book and its right there! Now, a local woman is fighting back and as Fred Taylor reports her attack is bringing an even more disturbing response.

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6PM

The Cherokee Indian Reservation Wants More Gambling

Video poker games, the lottery, and now changes at a North Carolina casino? The state MIGHT be getting more involved in gambling. The governor's people met with leaders from the Cherokee reservation today. The reservation is home to the state's only casino. The Cherokee Indians want to take gaming to the NEXT LEVEL and the state might try to get a piece of that action.

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01/26/2006

6PM

Elections Board Turns Up Heat On House Speaker

The heat just got turned up on one of the most powerful lawmakers in North Carolina. Today, State Election officials announced a FORMAL inquiry of campaign donations made to House Speaker Jim Black and other politicians. They're looking to see if campaign finance laws were broken. Word of the investigative hearings is just one controversy facing the speaker tonight.

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6PM

Eye Exam Controversy Falls On House Speaker's Shoulders

North Carolina's speaker of the house is taking more heat tonight for a law he pushed through the General Assembly requiring children to have eye exams before kindergarten. The reason, Black's an optometrist and stands to gain from the law. The state board of elections announced it'll investigate campaign contributions to Speaker Black and other lawmakers. The board will focus on money that came from optometrists and video poker. The question now: what will the inquiry do to Black's power hold on the legislature? Cullen Browder's in the newsroom with the story.

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Rage On The Run" - bodybuilder David Bieber of Ft. Myers, Florida started using steroids in high school and as an adult began selling them to support his expensive career. Bieber went into business with fellow bodybuilder Markus Mueller, a German who was able to smuggle the drugs into the U.S. from Europe. Bieber had an affair with Mueller's girlfriend, Danielle LaBelle, and

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subsequently married her. In February 1995, Bieber drove LaBelle to Mueller's home to retrieve her purse while he waited in the car. When LaBelle found Mueller dead in the doorway she suspected that Bieber had killed him. Two men admitted to police that Bieber had hired them to kill Mueller, but before he could be arrested, Bieber disappeared. He bought the birth certificate of a deceased child, Nathan Wayne Coleman, and took on his identity and, in 1996, fled to Leeds, England where he was undiscovered for almost eight years. On Dec. 26, 2003, Leeds police approached a car that was parked strangely on the side of the road. The vehicle turned out to be stolen and the driver, Coleman, in the process of being handcuffed, opened fire on the three unarmed arresting officers and escaped. One officer died of his wounds and a nationwide manhunt was launched. Bieber was finally apprehended, tried for the murder of the police officer, and sentenced to life in prison. Danielle LaBelle divorced Bieber in 2003. There are no plans to try him for the murder of Markus Mueller.

30:00 01/29/2006 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week NC SPIN will talk about a new law requiring comprehensive eye exams for preschoolers, about minority contractors fronting for General Contractors, and the state's unemployment rate dropping, but first we hear from our panel on Governor Easley's game of musical chairs on our highest courts.

30:00 01/29/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interview with President George W. Bush about: his reaction to the fact that Hamas has won control of the Palestinian Parliament; Iran's nuclear weapons program; loss of public support for the war in Iraq; government mismanagement of disaster relief following Hurricane Katrina; the controversy over eavesdropping on U.S. citizens without court orders; U.S. efforts to achieve energy independence/his resistance to a huge gas tax; stories of mistreatment of prisoners suspected of being terrorists; ways in which the presidency has changed Bush/the impact on his family; the best part of his job as president/the part he finds hardest; his relationship with his parents, Barbara and former President George Bush; the relationship of former Presidents Bill Clinton and George Bush.

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"Worst-Case Scenario" - a report on the U.S. Government's lack of medical preparedness in the event of a nuclear attack. Focuses on Hollis-Eden, a small San Diego-based biotech company whose drug Neumene was approved by the Pentagon as a treatment for radiation exposure. Last September, the Department of Health and Human Services announced that it would commit to purchase the drug, but only 100,000 doses, an amount considered by experts to be totally inadequate. Includes interviews with: Bob Marsella, vice president of Hollis-Eden; Richard Hollis, CEO of Hollis-Eden; Lee Hamilton, vice chairman, the 9/11 Commission; Rep. Tom Davis, (R-VA).

"Prisoner Of Pain" - a report on Richard Paey, an accident victim who was convicted for drug trafficking and sent to prison for 25 years for his use of massive amounts of painkillers to fight chronic pain. Includes interview with Paey's wife Linda; Scott Andringa, Florida State prosecutor; and Dr. Russell Portnoy, Chairman, department of pain medication at New York's Beth Israel Hospital.

"Off The Scale" - an interview with opera singer Deborah Voigt who, having been denied a part because of her weight opted for gastric bypass surgery. Also includes an interview with conductor James Conlon.

2 hours 01/31/2006 9-11PM

"State Of The Union 2006" - live broadcast of President George W. Bush's State of The Union Address to a joint session of Congress followed by the Democratic response by Governor Timothy M. Kaine (D-VA), and interviews with Sen. John McCain (R-AZ) and Sen. Joseph Biden (D-DE). Also includes interviews with Carol Damis and Bill Nickel, residents of a West Caldwell, N.J. retirement home, about their reactions to the President's address; and the results of a CBS News Poll of 700 hundred pre-selected adults who, on the Internet, answered questions about their reactions to the President's address.

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"War Profiteers?"- an investigation of how some of the \$50 billion the U.S. paid to private contractors for reconstruction work in Iraq was spent, and why \$8.8 billion of it is unaccounted for. Includes a report on Custer Battles, a company originally under contract to provide security at Baghdad International Airport and now under investigation by the Justice Department for bilking the U.S. Government out of \$50 million.

"A Surplus Of Embryos"- a report on the controversy over the Bush Administration's restriction on the use of federal funds for stem cell research. There are an estimated 400,000 unused frozen human embryos, some of which are destroyed each day in fertility clinics. Includes interviews with: Kai and Pam Madsen, a couple who run an advocacy group for infertile couples; Dr. Richard Scott, director of a fertility clinic; Professor James Thomson, a biologist at the University of Wisconsin; Professor Robert George, Princeton University, a member of President Bush's Council on Bioethics; and Art Kaplan, a bioethicist at the University of Pennsylvania.

"Wounds Of War"- some American soldiers severely wounded in combat in Iraq were able to return home, thanks to body armor and improved medicine. Includes interviews with Melissa Stockwell, who lost a leg; Brian Newman, who lost his left arm; Edward Wade, who lost his right arm and sustained serious brain injuries; Jessica Clements, a former model, who underwent extensive surgery after a roadside bomb shot shrapnel into her brain; and Thomas Young, who became an anti-war activist after a bullet left him paralyzed.

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02/04/2006

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Blaming The Babysitter"- thirteen-year-old Ashley Howes, a Seattle area girl, was a mother's helper for Morningstar Garden, a family friend, over a holiday weekend in 2005. A change of plans put Ashley in sole charge of two children -- five-year-old Madeline and 19-month-old Freya. When Morningstar and her boyfriend Gracian Cline were out, Ashley said she heard a thud from the room where Freya was sleeping. On finding Freya in a fetal position groaning, Ashley called 911, and an ambulance rushed the child to a hospital where, two hours later, she was pronounced dead. Doctors told police that it appeared that the toddler had been violently shaken: she had major head injuries, including a blood clot in her brain. Ashley, having been interrogated by police for hours without the presence of a parent or an attorney, was tried for the child's murder. Because of the lack of evidence the case was dismissed and Ashley can never be retried for the murder of Freya Garden. Her parents are considering a civil law suit against the state of Washington.

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02/05/2006

6:30AM

NC Spin

This week our crack panel of experts will spin Roy Cooper's proposals for dealing with corruption and ethics violations, we discuss Episcopalians wanting to end the death penalty, and tell why North Carolinians aren't getting killed as frequently on our highways, but first we discuss the money grab underway for the 2008 Governor's race.

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10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interviews with Senators Patrick Leahy and Jeff Sessions about: Democratic vs. Republican viewpoints on the legality of President Bush's authorization of eavesdropping on U.S. citizens without a court order.

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"Superstars" - rebroadcasts of the following interviews: **"U2"** - profile of the Irish rock band, including interviews with Bono, the group's lead singer; Larry Mullen, drummer; Adam Clayton, bassist, and the band's guitarist who calls himself 'The Edge'; **"Sheryl Crow"** - an interview with the singer whose albums have sold 20 million copies; **"It's Good To Be Sting"**- an interview with the 52-year-old rock star Sting; **"George Clooney"** - an interview with actor/director George Clooney; **"Hilary Swank"** - an interview with actress Hilary Swank; **"Michael Tilson Thomas"**- an interview with Michael Tilson

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Thomas, conductor of the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra; "**Domingo**" - an interview with 63-year-old operatic tenor Placido Domingo; and "**Cirque du Soleil**" - a report on Cirque du Soleil, the Montreal-based company which offers an unorthodox approach to producing circuses

60:00 02/11/2006 8PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "A Mind For Murder" - Professor Thomas Murray of Kansas State University was married to Carmin Ross for 18 years. They met at Ohio State University, where he had been her teacher. Ross earned a law degree, but after a few years, became a mediator and, later a healer. After 13 years of marriage, the couple had a baby girl, Ciara, despite the fact that Murray apparently didn't want children. Later Ross met Larry Lima and divorced Murray. The former couple shared custody, but in November 2003, Ross told Murray she wanted Ciara to live with her and Lima. On the following night Ross was found beaten and stabbed in her home. Evidence showed that Thomas Murray had been researching how to hire an assassin and how to get away with murder. Murray was tried, found guilty of first degree murder and sentenced to life in prison. He is appealing his conviction.

30:00 02/12/2006 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week NC SPIN will talk about whether or not we need certificates of need, whether or not public-private partnerships work, and what should be the proper age to be tried as an adult, but first we examine 10 years of ABC testing.

30:00 02/12/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interview with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice about: the controversy over cartoons deemed offensive by Muslims/drawing a distinction between peaceful protest and incitement to violence; Iran's potential to develop a nuclear weapon; U.S.-Russian relations/Russia's relationship to Hamas/Russia's role as host of the G8 Summit.

2:00 02/16/2006 6PM

Black Grand Jury

Dr. Gary Roach may look familiar as he walks into federal court for the grand jury. Six days earlier he testified under oath before the State Board of Elections. The topic...checks he signed, but left the payee line blank. Some of those checks went to House Speaker Jim Black and his ally, former lawmaker Michael Decker. Dr. Joel Banks and a handful of other optometrists also showed up for the federal grand jury. Last week, he sat before the elections board to talk about soliciting those incomplete checks.

2:00 02/16/2006 5:30PM

NC Supreme Court Elections

For the first time in decades FOUR seats on the North Carolina Supreme Court are up for election. Today, 7-year veteran associate justice Mark Martin filed for re-election. The recently appointed Chief Justice, Sarah Parker, must also run to hold on to her seat. So far eight people have filed.

60:00 02/18/2006 10PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Dream Killer" - Kent Heitholt, the popular sports editor of The Daily Tribune in Columbus, Missouri was found bludgeoned and strangled near his car on Halloween night 2001. Two years later, 19-year-old Charles Erickson told a friend that he had a dream about his involvement in the crime. Although his memory of events was hazy, Erickson told police about events leading up to the murder and implicated his high school friend Ryan Ferguson. He said that he and Ferguson were out drinking the night of the murder and, when they ran out of money, decided to rob someone. When they approached Heitholt, things got out of hand. Both Erickson and Ferguson were taken into custody and charged with murder. Four years after Heitholt's death, Ferguson, who claimed innocence, was tried for murder. The state's star witness was his former friend, Erickson, who admitted his involvement in the

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crime but claimed that Ferguson was the instigator. Found guilty of second-degree murder and first-degree robbery, Ryan Ferguson was sentenced to 40 years in prison.

30:00 02/19/2006 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week our panel will talk about the 2006 elections, about whether lottery proponents lied to us, and about one county that repealed a sales tax, but first we report that Black's troubles continue.

30:00 02/19/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interview with Sen. Bill Frist about: the shooting accident involving Vice President Cheney/impact on the Republican Party; possible changes in legislation governing White House eavesdropping; the Medicare drug program; a proposed Senate ethics reform bill.

60:00 02/19/2006 7PM

60 MINUTES

"State Of Denmark" - 60 MINUTES visits Denmark, where the furor over the cartoons of the prophet Muhammad began, and talks to Imam Ahmed Abu Laban, the man responsible for spreading news of the offending pictures worldwide. Also includes interviews with: Kare Bluitgen, author of children's books, who wrote a book about the prophet Muhammad; Flemming Rose, cultural editor of Denmark's largest newspaper; Toger Seidenfaden, editor of a rival newspaper; Danish Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen; Dr. Kamal Qureshi, the first Muslim to be elected to Denmark's Parliament; and former foreign minister Uffe Elleman.

"Philip Seymour Hoffman" - an interview with actor Philip Seymour Hoffman who is a nominee for an Academy Award for his portrayal of Truman Capote in the film "Capote". Includes an interview with Bennett Miller, the film's director.

"Global Warning!" - a visit to the Arctic, focusing on evidence that man is contributing to the warming of the planet with devastating effects on world climate -- rising seas, more powerful hurricanes and polar bears headed for extinction. Includes interviews with: Bob Corell, an authority on climate change; Carl Boggild, a glaciologist; Paul Mayewski, University of Maine; and Nick Lunn, a Canadian scientist.

2:00 02/24/2006 6PM

Speaker Money

By law, state employees are entitled to paid legal counsel for job related cases. Taxpayers get hit twice in the case of Jim Black. They're already paying for state and federal investigations into questionable campaign money and influence. Taxpayers will also help pay outside attorneys for the Speaker's office.

60:00 02/25/2006 10PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "What They Did For Love" - in 1994, 25-year-old Toni Dykstra of Los Angeles, a single mother of two, met and married Carlo Ventre, a 46-year-old Italian businessman. After the birth of their child, Santina, the couple's relationship soured. Despite a court custody order, Carlo fled to Italy with Santina in January 1998. Toni went to Italy where an Italian court ordered the baby returned to the U.S., but the day before she was to return home, Toni was found dead of head injuries in Carlo's apartment. Carlo claimed that he acted in self-defense when Toni attacked him. Toni's twin sister, Teri Martinez, believing that Toni had been murdered, was determined to get justice for her sister and enlisted the help of attorney Gloria Allred, who took on the case pro bono. Allred traveled to Italy six times since 1998 seeking justice for Toni and custody of Santina. Carlo Ventre, having been deported to Italy, was finally charged with voluntary murder in the first degree; and will go to trial on March 2006. If he is acquitted, U.S. prosecutors plan to extradite him to stand trial for plotting to kill Toni's father and stepmother, Milt and Betty Dykstra.

30:00 02/26/2006 6:30AM

NC Spin

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This week we ask our panel to spin some of the week's more interesting topics including new talks about offshore drilling, a proposal to eliminate the counties' participation in Medicaid funding, and Republicans asking for church directories, but first we discuss a proposal to institute tolls on our Interstate highways.

30:00 02/26/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interview with Steven J. Hadley about: whether Iraq is currently involved in a civil war/the need to train Iraqi police/Iranian influence in Iraq/impact of the violence on plans to withdraw U.S. troops from Iraq; request for an extended review by the Dubai-owned company contracted to handle security at key U.S. ports.

60:00 02/26/2006 7PM

60 MINUTES

"On The Waterfront"- an edited, updated version of "On The Waterfront" (OAD: 03/24/02) a report focusing on the fact that the furor over the proposed lease of the right to operate six U.S. port terminals on the east coast to a Dubai-based company doesn't alter the fact that U.S. Customs can still inspect just two percent of the six million cargo containers all across America vulnerable to terrorist attacks.

"Coal Cowboy"- an interview with Gov. Brian Schweitzer of Montana who, as a solution to U.S. dependence on foreign oil, wants to use the Fischer-Tropsch process to turn the billions of tons of coal found under the plains of his state into synthetic liquid fuel. Also includes interviews with: Dr. Robert Williams, an energy scientist at Princeton; and Helen Waller, leader of the Northern Plains Resource Council.

"To Walk Again" - Dr. Hans Keirstead, a 38-year-old biologist who used human stem cells to enable paralyzed rats to walk again is preparing to try the same procedure on people paralyzed by spinal cord injuries. Also includes interviews with: Suzanne Short, a paralytic; Dr. Robert Robbins, chair of cardiothoracic surgery at Stanford University; Dr. Arnold Kriegstein, head of stem cell research at the University of California at San Francisco; and Joanna and Marcus Kerner, a couple whose six-year-old son suffers from Batten disease, a fatal neurological disorder.

60:00 03/04/2006 10PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "The Highest Stakes"- In October, 2005, Christie Wilson, a 27-year-old Sacramento, California woman went alone to Thunder Valley Casino to gamble -- and vanished. Four days after she was declared missing, police found that the casino's security system showed that she had left with Mario Garcia, a 53-year-old married father of two. It was discovered that Garcia had a prior criminal record including charges of rape, assault with a deadly weapon and spousal abuse. After lengthy investigation, police felt they had a case based on the following evidence: hairs found in Garcia's car; the casino video; and Garcia's appearance -- a black eye and facial scratches. Despite the absence of a murder weapon, eyewitnesses and physical evidence to prove that Christie Wilson is dead, Mario Garcia was arrested, charged with murder and will go to trial in April.

30:00 03/05/2006 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week we ask our panel to comment on a proposal for a \$1 billion bond package for infrastructure upgrades, we find out how they view Speaker Black's request for \$200,000 in legal fees, and discuss both the urban and rural problems in providing schools for students, but first, we discuss the candidate filings that ended this week.

30:00 03/05/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interview with Rep. John Murtha about: his disagreement with Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Peter Pace's assessment of the situation in Iraq/Murtha's belief that the U.S. is caught in a civil war there/the lack of trained Iraqi military units/what Republicans in Congress want to happen in Iraq; the

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controversy over whether an Arab country should be allowed to operate key ports in the U.S.; the situation in Iran involving the production of enriched uranium.

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"Is The Price Right?" - a report on problems arising from the fact that hospitals across the U.S. are routinely charging uninsured patients far more for the same procedures than insured patients. Includes interviews with: KB Forbes, head of an activist force called the Council for United Latinos; Gerald Anderson, a professor of public health at Johns Hopkins University; Carmela Coyle, senior vice president for policy for the American Hospital Association; and Sen. Charles Grassley (R-IA).

"The Court-Martial Of Willie Brand" - Willie Brand, a guard at a U.S. military prison in Bagram, Afghanistan was court-martialed and convicted of assaulting and maiming two Afghan prisoners who then died. Brand, whose only penalty was a reduction in rank, claims that he was not guilty of torture, but was doing what he was trained to do. Includes interviews with: Captain Christopher Beiring, Brand's commanding officer; and Col. Lawrence Wilkerson, former chief of staff to Secretary of State Colin Powell.

"The Prince Of Pot" - Marc Emery, aka "The Prince of Pot," is leader of a marijuana legalization movement in Canada. Emery has been running a thriving mail-order marijuana seed business with little interference from Canadian officials. However, officials in the DEA want him extradited to the United States where he can be prosecuted for selling drugs to Americans. Includes interviews with John McKay, U.S. Attorney for the western district of Washington State; and Rodney Benson, DEA Special Agent.

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03/09/2006

6PM

Howard Hunter

Board members first took Hertford County Representative Howard Hunter to task. Despite 18 years experience in the legislature, Hunter didn't file campaign finance reports in recent years and failed to disclose more than 6000 dollars in contributions and expenditures.

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Hertford County Legislature

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48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Texas Confidential" - followup to "The Bookie's wife" (OAD: 01/11/02), a report on the 1997 murder of Doris Angleton, the wife of a successful Houston, Texas bookie. Doris' husband Bob, who claimed that his brother Roger was Doris' killer, was tried for the crime in state court and acquitted. More than three years later, federal prosecutors once more charged him with murder, planning to introduce new evidence -- an audio tape made by Vanessa Leggett, a true-crime writer who had interviewed Roger Angleton in jail. Four days before Bob's federal murder trial was to begin, he fled to Amsterdam where he was arrested by Dutch officials and charged with entering the country with forged documents. Angleton's lawyers cited an international treaty prohibiting the Dutch government from extraditing him to Texas to face murder charges a second time. In September 2004, Bob Angleton was brought back to the U.S. He pled guilty to passport and tax fraud and was sentenced to 12 years in federal prison. Once out of prison, the only way he can avoid another murder trial is to leave the U.S. permanently.

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03/12/2006

6:30AM

NC Spin

This week our panel gives their spin on whether the dropout rate announced last week is accurate or not, whether or not our mental health reforms are working, and the DOT lawsuit that is still alive, but first we debate a judge's decision that failing high schools are out of room and out of time.

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Face the Nation

Interview with Sen. Barack Obama about: the war in Iraq/looking for a political rather than a military solution/his opinion that it is inappropriate for U.S. troops to be caught in the middle of an all-out civil war/the need for the Iraqi people to form a non-sectarian government recognizing the importance of involving all parties; what the Democratic Party stands for on current issues: an energy policy; the health care crisis; education; security; abortion rights; and gay marriage; Hillary Clinton as a presidential candidate; ethics reform legislation.

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60 MINUTES

"Brutal" - an interview with Kevin Weeks, 49-year-old south Boston native and former right-hand man to James "Whitey" Bulger, once leader of Boston's Irish mob and currently a fugitive from justice. Weeks, who has written a book called "Brutal" about his association with Bulger, tells about his reaction to learning that Bulger was an FBI informant, and his own decision to cooperate with authorities. Also includes an interview with Howie Carr, a columnist for the Boston Herald newspaper whose efforts to expose Bulger and his gang almost led to his murder.

"Al Qaeda's Town" - a report on how the U.S. military took control of the Iraqi city of Tal Afar, formerly a stronghold of al-Qaeda terrorists. Includes interviews with: Col. H.R. McMaster, a soldier-scholar who served as a top advisor on fighting the Iraqi insurgency; Michael Ware, Baghdad bureau chief for Time magazine; and Captain Jesse Sellers, who regularly patrols the city.

"Gay Or Straight?" - a report on scientists' efforts to discover the factors which determine whether an individual will be heterosexual or homosexual, focusing on a study of same-sex twins. Includes interviews with: Michael Bailey, professor of psychology at Northwestern University; researcher Gerulf Rieger; and Dr. Marc Breedlove of Michigan State University who is doing research with rats.

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03/14/2006

6PM

Jim Black Eye Exams

From the time it became public, reaction to the law requiring all children entering kindergarten to undergo comprehensive eye exams was harsh. Even ophthalmologists called it an unnecessary expense and hardship for families.

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03/16/2006

ALL AM

Black Grand Jury

Speaker Black's former budget adviser Rita Harris and current deputy chief of staff Allen Rogers, on the right, came to federal court as the grand jury resumed its investigation. The speaker is taking heat because he directed political money and possible favors to his ally, former lawmaker Michael Decker. It's unclear what investigators want from Harris and Rogers, but they played roles in helping create a state job when Decker left office. Speaker Black flatly denies there was any payoff for his friend. Attorney Sandy Sands also showed up. Last month, the former lawmaker testified before the State Board of Elections that he helped solicit checks from his colleagues that went to Decker.

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03/18/2006

10PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Dark Side Of The Mesa" - in November 2001 Michael Blagg, returned to his Grand Junction, Colorado home to find a bloody bed and an empty jewel box -- but no sign of his wife Jennifer or their six-year-old daughter Abby. When investigators learned that Blagg and his wife had argued over his addiction to hard-core pornography, Blagg became the prime suspect. When a search of the county landfill produced Jennifer's remains, the District Attorney charged Blagg with first degree murder. Michael Blagg was tried for murder in March of 2004, convicted and sentenced to life in prison. Abby has never been found. Includes interviews with: Steve King, Mesa County Sheriff's investigator; the Reverend Art Blankenship, pastor of the Blaggs' Evangelical Church, and his wife Rhonda; Marilyn

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Conway, Jennifer's mother; David Loman, her brother; David Eisner, Blagg's attorney; and District Attorney Frank Daniels.

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NC Spin

Special edition of NC SPIN on the campus of Elon University. We are joined by a live audience of students, community leaders and elected officials. On this show our panel will give you their spin on the latest Elon poll, we'll examine sunshine week, and talk about why lottery proceeds may be lower than expected, but first let's review proposals for tighter ethics laws.

30:00 03/19/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interview with Vice President Richard Cheney about: his response to charges that conditions in Iraq are worse than they were after the elections in December/skepticism in the U.S. over justification for the war/continuing violence in Iraq/delay in putting together an effective Iraqi government/Cheney's response to criticism by Senator Edward Kennedy; the charge of incompetence by the Bush Administration in other areas -- Hurricane Katrina; the Harriet Miers nomination; the Dubai ports deal; the suggestion that Cheney has become a liability to the Bush Administration; Cheney's support for Congressional oversight on the eavesdropping program; rumors that he might step aside before his term as Vice President is up; how Cheney has changed in recent years; the accidental shooting of Cheney's friend Harry Wittington.

60:00 03/19/2006 7PM

60 MINUTES

"Defending New York" - the New York City police department, 37,000 strong and larger than the standing armies of 84 countries, has, in the aftermath of the 9/11/01 attacks, transformed itself from a traditional crime-fighting organization into one with a strong emphasis on fighting terrorism. Includes interviews with: Chief Vincent Giordano, chief of a counterterrorism operation called a "surge"; NYPD Commissioner Ray Kelly; intelligence experts David Cohen and Michael Sheehan; and members of a cyberunit drawn from New York City policemen with Middle Eastern and South Asian backgrounds.

"Rewriting The Science" - an interview with James Hansen, NASA's top scientist studying climate, who accuses the Bush administration of restricting what he can say about global warming. Also includes interview with Ralph Cicerone, president of the National Academy of Sciences; and Rick Piltz, the Federal Climate Change Science program.

"Family Ties" - every year, an estimated 30,000 children are born in the U.S. to women, a number of them single or in lesbian relationships, who have been artificially inseminated with sperm from anonymous donors. Most of the children grow up never knowing their biological fathers. Now, with the help of sperm bank records and the Internet, some of them are finding and building relationships, not only with 'donor siblings' -- half-brothers and sisters sired by the same donor, but on occasion, with their anonymous fathers.

2:00 03/24/2006 11PM

Jim Black Trouble

Despite the election board's admission that it found no evidence that House Speaker Jim Black knowingly accepted illegal campaign contributions.... ignorance of the law may not keep Black out of trouble. The speaker is accused of taking what amounts to phony contributions from the video poker industry and contributions that exceeded legal limits from a political action group representing optometrists.

60:00 03/25/2006 10PM

48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Natalee Holloway: New Clues In Paradise" - a report on new details into the search for Natalee Holloway, a U.S. teenager who disappeared on May 30, 2005 during a post-graduation trip in the Caribbean island of Aruba. Includes an exclusive interview with Gerald Dompig, the deputy chief of police in Aruba who is leading the investigation. Also includes interviews with Beth

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Holloway Twitty, Natalee's mother, and Dr. Ruben Cruz, head of Aruba's search and rescue team. Also included in this episode: **"Nightmare In Honduras"** - a report on the 2002 gunshot death of Randall Latona at his villa in Honduras. Honduran officials classified the death as a suicide. Latona's family disagreed, and filed a wrongful death suit against his former girlfriend, Leslie Ann Spiering. The family was awarded a \$2.5 million judgment and, though they do not expect to get any of the money, they hope to use the court judgment as leverage with Honduran officials to reopen the investigation into his death and prosecute Spiering for murder.

30:00 03/26/2006 6:30AM

NC Spin

This week we ask our panel to give you their spin on high school reforms, the video poker industry under fire, and a Virginia proposal to install toll booths on US highway 17, but first we discuss the court's ruling on the lottery.

30:00 03/26/2006 10:30AM

Face the Nation

Interview with Sen. Edward Kennedy about: the proposed crackdown on illegal immigration; a proposed censure of President Bush for eavesdropping on U.S. citizens without court-ordered warrants; a Pentagon report saying that the Russians provided intelligence to Saddam Hussein during the U.S. invasion; the question of whether the U.S. should attend the G8 conference to be held in St. Petersburg this summer; Sen. Kennedy's response to remarks made by Vice President Richard Cheney.

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60 MINUTES

"Betting On A Fall" - Biovail Corporation, a Canadian pharmaceutical company, is claiming in a lawsuit that SAC Capital Advisors, a large hedge fund, orchestrated a negative stock analysis report about Biovail in order to depress its stock and then sell it short. Includes interviews with: Eugene Melnyk, CEO of Biovail, and Richard Blumenthal, Connecticut Attorney General. Also includes interviews with several former salesmen from Camelback Research Alliance, the stock analysis firm which issued a SAC-commissioned report on Biovail.

"Tiger" - a two-part segment profiling golf pro Tiger Woods, focussing first on his family background and rise to fame, and then on his creation of the Tiger Woods Learning Center, where children can get learning experiences, not available to them in their own schools, which will help prepare them for college and careers.

2:30 03/28/2006 11PM

Chatham County Elections

When election season rolls around, some Chatham county voters fear the results there are already doomed. They believe the County's board of elections has been making major decisions in secret that could manipulate election outcomes. The Board denies the claims. Gloria Lopez has more from tonight's heated meeting.

30:00 01/07/2006 7:30PM

Headline Saturday-Legislative Agenda For The New Year

Half hour discussion regarding the record of the past general assembly and what lawmakers might focus on in the short session to be held in May of 2006. Guests included two House members from Wake County and one Wake County member of the Senate.

30:00 01/13/2006 7:30PM

Headline Saturday-Immigration

Half hour discussion focusing on new immigration procedures in North Carolina. Some counties want to give sheriff's deputies INS status. Guests included the Wake County Sheriff and a representative from the Mexican Consulate's office Raleigh branch.

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Headline Saturday-Water Problems For Central North Carolina

Half hour discussion regarding lingering effects from the drought of 2005. Water restrictions are still in place in Wake County. Guests included the Raleigh City Manager, and small business owners who rely on a strong water supply to earn a living.

30:00 02/04/2006 7:30PM

Headline Saturday-Iraqi War

Half hour discussion on the war efforts. Guests included a military wife and a mother. Both have loved ones serving in Iraq -- one with the NC National Guard, the other as a US Marine.

30:00 02/11/2006 7:30PM

Headline Saturday-Overcrowding Of NC Courts

Half hour discussion of the serious overcrowding of North Carolina courtrooms. Guests included a superior court judge from Durham and the Wake County District Attorney. A taped interview with retiring NC Supreme Court Chief Justice I. Beverly Lake was also a part of the program.

30:00 02/25/2006 7:30PM

Headline Saturday-NC Mental Health Issues

Half hour discussion regarding the closing of Dorothea Dix Hospital in Raleigh, the building of a new mental health facility in Butner and where will displaced patients go? Guests included Ann Akland, advocate for the mentally ill and a state representative whose district includes Dorothea Dix.

SPECIAL REPORTS

2:30 02/06/2006 5PM

Downtown Parking

With everyone searching for parking places downtown, why don't the traffic police do anything to some people who park in 15 minute parking all day long? WRAL investigates.

2:00 02/07/2006 5:30PM

5 On 5

Checking in on the 5 on 5 diet challenge teams.

3:00 02/09/2006 5:30PM

Nail Salon

How clean is your nail salon? Monica Laliberte finds your nail salon may not be as clean as you think.

2:00 02/10/2006 5:30PM

5 On 5

Checking in on the 5 on 5 diet challenge teams.

2:30 02/20/2006 5PM

Revisiting Katrina

Six months after Katrina blasted ashore in New Orleans, Amanda Lamb goes back to Louisiana and Mississippi to see how residents are picking up the pieces and moving on with their lives.

2:00 02/21/2006 ALL AM

Extraordinary People

Valonda Calloway introduces us to a woman who was in an accident that changed her life forever. The woman who was helping a distressed motorist was hit by another vehicle and left paralyzed from the waist down. Despite it all, she's never quit helping people.

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2:00 02/22/2006 5PM

Katrina

Amanda Lamb talks to a family who has not yet received its FEMA trailer. The family is living in one corner of their badly damaged house.

2:30 02/24/2006 5:30PM

5 On 5

With less than a week to go in the competition, Dr. Allen Mask checks in with the dieters to see how they're feeling.

2:30 02/28/2006 ALL AM Newscasts

Extraordinary People

Valonda Calloway introduces us to a man who goes out of his way to help others.

SPECIALS/DOCUMENTARIES (other programming aired in the public's interest):

30:00 01/10/2006 7:00pm

King of the Court

Tom Suiter, Jeff Gravley, and Gerald Owens hosted a half-hour special previewing the ACC basketball season. The program focused on the three teams in our area, NC State, UNC, and Duke, with guest commentary from former player Chris Corchiani.

30:00 02/18/2006 7:30PM

ACC Basketball

Half hour discussion regarding the history of ACC basketball and the record broken by JJ Reddick of Duke University. Guests included Jeff Gravely of WRAL-TV Sports and Columnist Caulton Tudor of the N&O.

60:00 03/04/2006 11PM

Duke/UNC: The Rivalry

Expanded coverage in the 11PM of UNC's victory over #1 ranked Duke. One hour filled with live reports from Cameron Indoor Stadium, Franklin St. in Chapel Hill, SKY5, and the players' and coaches' post-game press conference.

30:00 03/09/2006 9:00PM

Hoops Headquarters

A half-hour special on the ACC Men's Basketball Tournament, aired live at 9PM on Thursday, March 9. Tom Suiter anchored from the WRAL studios with Jeff Gravley and Debra Morgan live from the Greensboro Coliseum, site of the tourney. Stories included a look at the three local teams' prospects, a fan's perspective of the tourney, impact of league expansion, and a profile on Duke's J.J. Redick.